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Docket No.: K21402 USWO (C038435/0185657)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :)
Tatsuo HOSHINO and Masako SHINJOH)
Serial No.: 10/528,899) Examiner: K. Ariani
Filed: March 23, 2005) Art Unit: 1651
For: **PRODUCTION OF L-ALDONOLACTONE**)

New York, New York
August 6, 2007

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the erroneously issued Office Action mailed on February 9, 2007 and the Examiner Interview Summary dated August 1, 2007, which *vacated* the February 9, 2007 Office Action. No fee is believed to be due. If it is determined that a fee is due, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Please amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION: none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS: begin on page 3.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS: none.

REMARKS begin on page 5 of this paper.